

18 August 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 18 August 1969

DD/I related that there will be no NSC meeting this week but pointed to a scheduled meeting on 29 August to consider Part II: General Forces, NSSM No. 3.

DD/I briefed on the discovery of another SS-9 complex as reported in the 16 August CIB.

Lehman for Godfrey reported that there has been a decrease in ground action in Ireland with an accompanying increase in polemics between the contestants.

Lehman noted that Ambassador Beam will be meeting with the Soviet Foreign Ministry today and speculated that these conversations will be related to the SALT problem.

Lehman briefed on the shootdown of a U. S. Army helicopter which inadvertently violated North Korean air space over the weekend.

Lehman noted that the presence of Soviet naval forces in the Mediterranean is currently at an all-time high and speculated that this activity is in connection with naval exercises.

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Carver reported receipt of a most interesting report on how the South Vietnamese government has analyzed U. S. policy. The Director concurred in Carver's suggestion that this report receive "blue-chit" dissemination.

Carver asked that certain Executive Committee members meet on the Green Beret problem. The Director concurred, and the meeting was

set for 10 a.m. Maury added that he will brief on his session with Congressman Rodino at that time.

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Bross related that he has been invited to participate in a meeting tomorrow with some members of Findley Burns's staff to discuss the application of OPRED to the intelligence community as it pertains to their support of the NSC Under Secretaries Committee. The Director concurred.

Bross received the Director's concurrence to discuss with Robert Froehlke the agenda item on intelligence reorganization scheduled for the 22 August PFIAB meeting.

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DDCI noted that he has studied the final Froehlke report and its recommendations and expressed his concern over the role of the Executive

Council. The Director commented he is of the opinion that the Executive Council will be primarily a budget resource allocation body reporting to the Secretary of Defense.

Goodwin reported that the cover story for the next issue of Newsweek is scheduled to be on the Green Beret matter.

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